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1. The Hungarian AAA divisions are under the National AAA Command in Budapest, which is in turn subordinate to the Defense Ministry.
2. A distinction must be made between the so-called "home divisions", which are independent, and the non-independent or "route divisions" of AAA. Both types of divisions at present consist of four regiments each, but they are different in number of batteries and in equipment.
3. The non-independent divisions consist of two medium AAA regiments (85 mm guns) of two sections each, with two batteries to a section, and two light AAA regiments with automatic 37 mm guns. The light AAA regiments now have two sections of three batteries each. Each battery of both the light and medium regiments has four heavy machine guns, an R/3 radio station and a communications platoon. The regiments have an observation and information platoon, a communications company, a machine gun company and supporting services.
4. The independent AAA divisions have two regiments, each with three heavy and medium sections, and two light AAA regiments. The heavy and medium sections have three batteries each. The light AAA regiments are composed like those in the non-independent divisions. The independent divisions, according to the area in which they are intended to operate, have heavy searchlights, listening and motorized radar units.
5. Down to the fall of 1950 there was only one independent AAA regiment in Budapest. In a reorganization two more regiments were set up, and the regiment became a division. In November 1951, cadres from this division were used to form a second AAA division, with its station at Komárom.

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6. The division remaining in Budapest is established in the Mátyás barracks at Hungaria Ring 81. 50X1-HUM
7. The medium regiment is the 77th, in the Mátyás barracks. The second medium regiment is in Budafoke. One of the light regiments is at Ferihegy airfield at Budapest.
8. The divisional commander is Col. László Környei, an old professional officer. Major András Jécsi, the commander of the 77th Regiment, is also a professional officer.
9. Each battery has 3-5 officers and 75 men. Officers are equipped with pistols, the men with rifles. Each platoon has a machine pistol. Equipment in general is old, partly of Soviet manufacture, partly of Hungarian and German pieces from World War II. The age of the guns is evident from the fact that their range is limited to 8,500 m. The regiments of the division hold their summer firing practice in the Börzsony mountains, in an area barred to civilians during the period.
10. The Mátyás barracks also holds the staff of AAA division 38. The regiments of the division are scattered, a light regiment in Vác, another in Székesfehérvár, a medium regiment in Szolnok and the other in Dunaföldvár. Commander of the 38th AAA Division is Lieut. Col. Miklós Borbák; his deputy is Major János Sárközi, from the Kossuth Academy. The defense section is headed by a former merchant named Anton Fischer. The political officer is Major József Kapu. The divisional staff is about 150 strong. It is equipped with two 20 mm automatic guns, two radios R/7L, two R/7B and two R/3. The R/7L apparatus has 3,700-3,800 kilocycles.

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